

MEMORIAL VILLAGES POLICE CRIME ANALYSIS SUMMARY

Two Weeks: March 1 - March 14, 2014

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CRIME ANALYSIS SUMMARY

February 28th through March 6th 2014

BUNKER HILL

On February 28th an officer stopped a vehicle in the 300 block of Gessner Road for a traffic violation. During the traffic stop the driver was found to have a suspended driver's license. The passenger was further found to be in possession of marijuana. Both were placed under arrest.

On March 3rd an officer responded to the 200 block of Stoney Creek Drive in reference to an identity theft. An unknown person filed a tax return with the victim's information. Case was referred to the IRS for investigation.

On March 3rd an officer responded to the 400 block of Tealmeadow Court in reference to a theft. A subject had possibly stolen some gift cards from the victim. This case is currently under investigation.

On March 5th an officer responded to a residence on Patrick Court in reference to an identity theft. The suspect accessed the victim's credit card information and charged the credit card at various locations. This case is currently under investigation.

On March 5th an officer responded to the 11700 block of Country Way in reference to a possible theft. The victim had jewelry missing from the residence. This case is currently under investigation.

PINEY POINT

On March 3rd an officer responded to the 11100 block of Greenbay Street in reference to a theft. An unknown person stole a computer from the building. This case is currently under investigation.

On March 5th an officer responded to a residence on Pine Tree Lane in reference to a theft. The victim had a package delivered to the residence and when they went to retrieve the package it was gone.

HUNTERS CREEK

On March 2nd an officer responded to the 500 block of Ripplecreek Drive in reference to a suspicious person. The officer arrived and found the subject in question. The subject was found to be intoxicated and was placed under arrest for Public Intoxication.

On March 3rd officers responded to the 500 block of Trails End in reference to a burglary of a habitation. The suspects forced entry through a sliding glass door and stole jewelry from the residence. This case is currently under investigation.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

Community safety must be a partnership between the police department and the citizens of the community. It is impossible for the police to be everywhere all the time. This is where citizen involvement plays a major role in helping to keep our neighborhoods safe. Residents know their neighborhoods because they live there and can many times see or hear things that they know are out of place or suspicious. When this occurs it is important that citizens take the time to become involved in their neighborhood's security by promptly calling the police and reporting the suspicious activity.

If you should observe a crime in progress or some other action that makes you think that a crime is occurring, DO NOT attempt to take any direct action yourself. This is the job of the police department, whose officers are trained and equipped to handle these matters.

Your proper action is to be a good witness and IMMEDIATELY call the police by dialing 911 and then provide as much information as possible, from a position of safety, so that the responding police officers have this information when they arrive.

The type of information that the police need is what type of crime is occurring, and how many people are involved. Good physical descriptions of these people including clothing they are wearing and any weapons that they might have is very helpful. Also, if they have a vehicle(s) what type of vehicle, color and license plate.

By remaining on the telephone with the police dispatcher and providing up to date information until the police arrive, citizens can be a tremendous asset to the police in helping to combat crime.

Many crimes have been solved and the criminals involved arrested when a citizen has taken the time to become involved by being this type of good neighbor.

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March 7th through March 13th 2014

BUNKER HILL

On March 10th an officer responded to the 11900 block of Clarendon Lane in reference to theft of construction materials, plywood and a ladder. The theft occurred from February 28 - March 10, 2014. There are no suspects at this time.

On March 12th an officer responded to a residence on Valley Forge Drive in reference to an identity theft. The victim's information was used to file a tax return with the IRS. The victim had already been in contact with the IRS and was working with them to resolve the issue.

PINEY POINT

On March 7th an officer responded to the 200 block of Blalock Road in reference to an identity theft. The victim's information was used to file a tax return with the IRS. The victim was referred to the IRS for further information.

On March 11th an officer responded to the 11500 block of Quail Hollow Lane in reference to an identity theft. The victim's information was used to file a tax return with the IRS. The victim was referred to the IRS for further information.

On March 12th an officer was dispatched to a residence on East Still Forest Street in reference to a past theft. The victim stated that they were in the process of moving from the residence back in May of 2013. Once they settled into their new residence the victim discovered missing items. This case is currently under investigation.

On March 13th an officer responded to the 400 block of Blalock Road in reference to found property. A woman's purse was found alongside the road. Officers were able to locate the owner of the purse and notified her of the found property. The victim stated that her vehicle was broken into in the City of Houston. The purse was released back to the victim.

HUNTERS CREEK

On March 10th an officer responded to the 10900 block of Wickwild in reference to an identity theft. The victim's information was used to file a tax return with the IRS. The victim was referred to the IRS for further information.

On March 10th an officer responded to the 10600 block of Fairlane Drive in reference to an identity theft. The victim's information was used to file a tax return with the IRS. The victim was referred to the IRS for further information.

On March 11th an officer responded to a residence on Shannon Circle in reference to a credit card abuse/identity theft. The victim's credit card information was used at various locations. This case is currently under investigation.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

With the recent rise in identity thefts related to tax returns, I wanted to share information that I received from the IRS about how they would contact you and what you should do if the need arises.

Uncovering Tax-Related Identity Theft

The IRS uses your Social Security Number (SSN) to make sure your filing is accurate and complete, and that you get any refund you are due. Identity theft can affect how your tax return is processed. An unexpected notice or letter from the IRS could alert you that someone else is using your SSN, however, the IRS doesn't start contact with a taxpayer by sending an email, text or social media message that asks for personal or financial information. If you get an email that claims to be from the IRS, do not reply or click on any links. Instead, forward it to phishing@irs.gov.

If someone uses your SSN to file for a tax refund before you do, the IRS might think you already filed and got your refund. When you file your return later, IRS records will show the first filing and refund, and you'll get a notice or letter from the IRS saying more than one return was filed for you.

If someone uses your SSN to get a job, the employer may report that person's income to the IRS using your SSN. When you file your tax return, you won't include those earnings. IRS records will show you failed to report all your income. The agency will send you a notice or letter saying you got wages but didn't report them. The IRS doesn't know those wages were reported by an employer you don't know.

Dealing With Tax-Related Identity Theft

If you think someone used your SSN for a tax refund or a job - or the IRS sends you a notice or letter indicating a problem - contact the IRS immediately. Specialists will work with you to get your tax return filed, get you any refund you are due, and protect your IRS account from identity thieves in the future.

Contact the Internal Revenue Service.

[IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit](#)

[1-800-908-4490](#)

1. Report the fraud.
2. Send a copy of your police report or an IRS ID Theft Affidavit Form 14039 and proof of your identity, such as a copy of your Social Security card, driver's license or passport.

2. Update your files.

1. Record the dates you made calls or sent letters.
2. Keep copies of letters in your files.

Other Steps to Repair Identity Theft

After you contact the IRS, it's important to limit the potential damage from identity theft:

- Put a [fraud alert](#) on your credit reports.
- [Order your credit reports](#).
- Create an [Identity Theft Report](#) by filing an identity theft complaint with the FTC and filing a police report

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